

CHAPTER NO. 469

HOUSE BILL NO. 332

By Representatives Kisber, Walker, Caldwell, Sherry Jones, Maddox, Brooks

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 325

By Senators Henry, Crutchfield, Ford

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56 and Title 71, relative to hospitals in the networks of managed care organizations in the TennCare program.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. The Commissioner of Finance and Administration shall include in contracts with managed care organizations provisions for essential care which is provided on an unduplicated, regional basis and which is regulated by the State in order to ensure its availability to all citizens, such as Level I trauma care and perinatal and neonatal care. The commissioner shall have the authority to promulgate regulations as needed in order to require managed care organizations and providers of essential services to negotiate with each other in good faith.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 27, 1999


JIMMY RAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 17th day of June 1999


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